

Senate Resolution 855

By: Senators Seay of the 34th, Miles of the 43rd, Starr of the 44th, Tate of the 38th and Brown of the 26th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Congratulating Dixon Grove Baptist Church on its 50th anniversary; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, on Sunday, March 19, 2006, Dixon Grove Baptist Church in Jonesboro,
3 Georgia, will celebrate 50 memorable years of worship and service to the community; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Dixon Grove Baptist Church was founded by the late Reverend John A. Dixon,
5 who was dedicated to bringing to life his vision of a faith community built on the teachings
6 of the Bible and committed to serving its neighbors; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the church's second pastor, the Reverend James E. Harris, oversaw an
8 impressive expansion and complete rebuilding of the church facilities in 2003; and
- 9 WHEREAS, throughout the years, Dixon Grove Baptist Church has been blessed to be joined
10 by many new members and ministers of the gospel and has grown to become a large but
11 tight-knit community dedicated to the teachings of Jesus Christ; and
- 12 WHEREAS, community service has always been one of Dixon Grove Baptist Church's very
13 highest priorities, and among many charitable ministries, the church has successfully
14 sponsored a family counseling program and a community food and clothing co-op to assist
15 Hurricane Katrina evacuees; and
- 16 WHEREAS, in 2003, Dixon Grove Baptist Church took over the leadership of the Youth
17 Christian Basketball League, which ministers to 14 churches and five youth organizations
18 in Clayton County; and
- 19 WHEREAS, this church has become one of the most prominent institutions in Jonesboro and
20 has hosted many community, civic, and religious activities within Clayton County; and

1 WHEREAS, for half a century, Dixon Grove Baptist Church has faithfully served its
2 community by putting into action the Christian ideals of love and charity.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
4 join in congratulating Dixon Grove Baptist Church on its 50th anniversary and thank its
5 members for their invaluable contributions to Georgia.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
7 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dixon Grove Baptist Church.